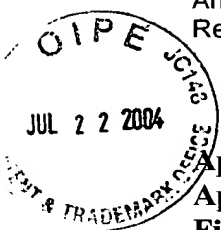


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**Applicant:** Silvia Allegro et al.  
**Filed:** January 5, 2001  
**Title:** METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING A TRANSIENT ACOUSTIC SCENE,  
APPLICATION OF SAID METHOD, AND A HEARING DEVICE  
**TC/AU:** 2654  
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**AMENDMENT "E"**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action of February 23, 2004, paper no. 19, and to the personal interview conducted on June 30, 2004. The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on May 23, 2004. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request and petition that the response date be extended, for two months, through July 23, 2004. The enclosed check for \$420 is to cover the two (2) month extension of time fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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